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## REQUEST TO WITHDRAW FINALITY OF REJECTION

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

The Office Action of January 14, 2010 constitutes a final rejection of the claims. One of the rejections is the rejection of claim 20 under the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, as set forth on page 2 of the Office Action. This is a new rejection that was not necessitated by 'Applicants' previous claim amendments. That is, the same rejection could have been made in the earlier Office Action. Accordingly, referring to MPEP 706.07(a), the current Office Action should not have constituted a final rejection; and according to MPEP 706.07(d), the finality of the rejection should be withdrawn, and so communicated to Applicants' Attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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